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Field Crops Report

As of January 7, **Alfalfa** harvest was reported as 56 percent not being harvested, 3 percent light, 6 percent moderate, and 35 percent active. **Alfalfa** condition was reported as 5 percent poor, 35 percent fair, 54 percent good, and 6 percent excellent. **Alfalfa** sheeping off was reported as active.

Small Grains planting is continuing at a good pace. As of January 7, 34 percent of **Durum Wheat**, 35 percent of **Barley**, 35 percent of **Winter Wheat**, and 34 percent of **Other Small Grains** were reported as planted.

Fruit, Vegetable and Specialty Crops Report

Last week producers in central Arizona shipped bok choy, broccoli, cabbage, cauliflower, chinese cabbage, endive, escarole, head lettuce, kale, mixed greens, napa, other lettuce, parsley, romaine, and spinach. Producers in western Arizona shipped anise, bok choy, broccoflower, broccoli, cabbage, cauliflower, cilantro, endive, escarole, flowering kale, kale, napa, parsley, radicchio and spinach. Lettuce shipments included boston, iceberg, leaf, romaine and spring mix.

Citrus shipments in central Arizona included fairchild tangerines, grapefruit, lemons and navels last week. Shipments from western Arizona included grapefruit, lemons and tangerines.

Livestock, Range and Pasture Report

Range and Pasture conditions were reported as 2 percent very poor, 15 percent poor, 48 percent fair, and 35 percent good. Livestock were reported to be in fair condition. Stock Water was reported as adequate. Soil Moisture was reported as short. Insect Damage was reported as none to light.

Weather Summary

Temperatures throughout the State were above average for the week ending January 6. Temperatures ranged from 9 degrees above normal at Grand Canyon to 2 degrees above normal at Canyon De Chelly and Douglas. The highest temperature of the week was 77 degrees at Casa Grande, Gila Bend, and Tucson, while the lowest reading was 12 degrees at Canyon De Chelly. Light precipitation was reported at seven of the sixteen reporting stations. Precipitation ranged from 0.87 inches at Willcox to 0.01 at Casa Grande, Flagstaff, Payson, and Safford.

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Weather Information Table (temperatures, precipitation, and/or growing degree days)

TEMPERATURES AND PRECIPITATION DATA FOR THE WEEK DECEMBER 31, 2000-JANUARY 6, 2001

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	Temperatures				Precipitation 2/		
Station	Avg.	Dep. 1/	High	Low	Past Week	Jan. 1 to Date	Normal to Date
Canyon De Chelly	30	2	51	12	0.00	8.39	9.63
Casa Grande	51	4	77	31	0.01	4.67	9.25
Coolidge	50	5	76	30	0.00	6.26	9.05
Douglas	45	2	70	22	0.15	14.27	13.42
Flagstaff	28	7	56	13	0.01	15.71	22.80
Gila Bend	54	5	77	37	0.00	6.30	6.86
Grand Canyon	28	9	55	18	0.00	17.68	15.83
Kingman	42	5	65	26	0.00	6.58	9.79
Parker	52	n/a	n/a	n/a	0.00	0.66	4.50
Payson	37	8	66	24	0.01	19.70	22.08
Phoenix	53	7	76	42	0.00	8.12	7.66
Prescott Airport	38	4	63	21	0.00	12.84	13.31
Safford Ag Center	43	3	69	22	0.01	12.37	9.68
Tucson	51	6	77	37	0.10	12.50	12.00
Willcox	42	4	67	21	0.87	16.29	12.92
Winslow	30	3	54	13	0.00	6.12	8.04
Yuma	55	6	76	44	0.00	1.78	3.17

^{1/} Departure of temperature for reporting period from average temperature for that week.

^{2/} Daily precipitation totals 5 a.m. to 5 a.m. instead of midnight to midnight. Periods of record used in computing "average to date" for precipitation and "departure" for average temperatures may be obtained from National Weather Service, Phoenix.